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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

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In re the application of:

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Appln. No.: 10/082,290

Group Art Unit: 2874

Filed: February 26, 2002

For: SENSING APPARATUS EMPLOYING VARIABLE COUPLER
FIBEROPTIC SENSOR

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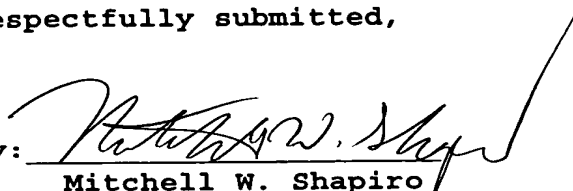
Replying to the notice (copy enclosed) mailed April 15, 2002, Applicants submit herewith a Declaration and a check for \$130.00 covering the required surcharge under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1165 any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper and to credit any overpayment to that Account. If any extension of time is required in connection with the filing of this

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